

Comedians lighten mood in Baghdad

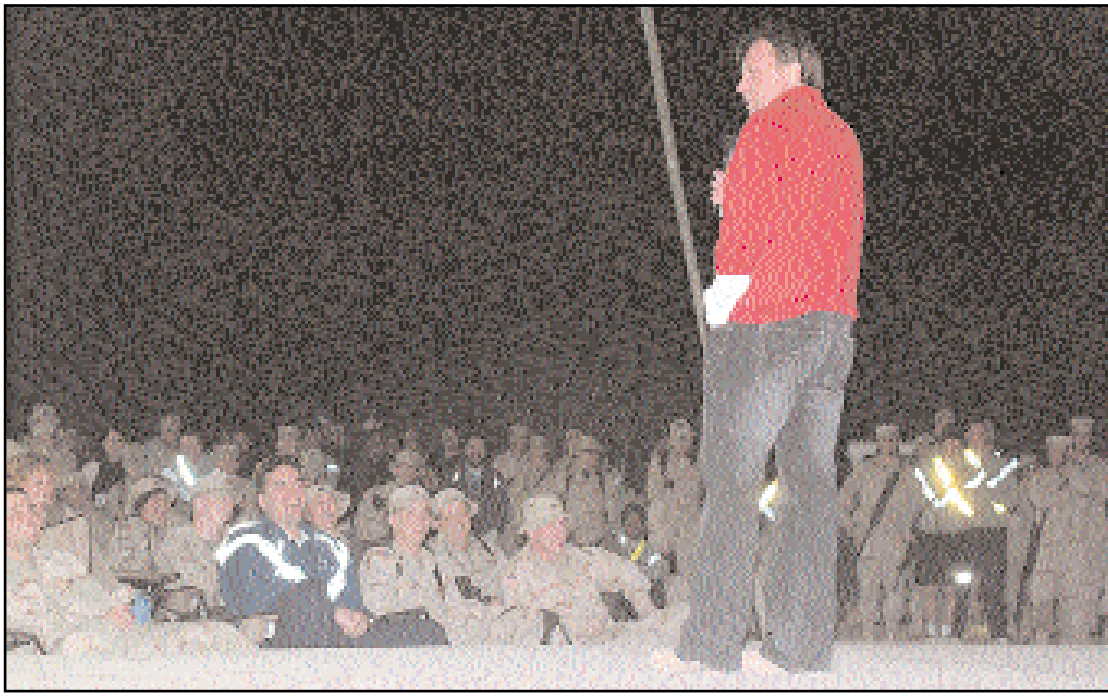
Spc. Emily J. Wilsoncroft
Task Force Baghdad

CAMP VICTORY, Iraq — In Baghdad, stress and tension are commonplace among Soldiers, and without the comforts of home, sometimes it's not too easy to get rid of those feelings.

But when comedians Colin Quinn, Steve Byrne and Robert Kelly stepped onto the stage Mar. 13, any somber thoughts were drowned out by hundreds of Camp Victory Soldiers' howling laughter ringing happily through the night air.

Quinn, known from his years on NBC's "Saturday Night Live" and from his Comedy Central show, "Tough Crowd with Colin Quinn," made his first appearance in Baghdad in 2004.

Apparently, one trip just wasn't enough, though, and Quinn's return found Soldiers ready for a laugh waiting on



Sgt. Andrew Miller

Comedian Colin Quinn entertains Soldiers at Camp Victory, Iraq, during a show he gave.

lawn chairs at the foot of the performing stage.

"I was here last year, and I love what you've done with the

place," he said as he greeted his audience. "This is where civilization began... and it stayed that way."

He went on to encourage Soldiers, upon returning home, to "walk into any job you want, kick the other guy out of it."

"Tell whoever, 'I sacrificed for you, now get out,'" he said.

Coming to perform for deployed troops, Quinn explained, was "the least I could do."

"When I first found out we could come over here, I said, 'Anytime I can be doing anything for them, I'll do it.'"

"You guys are probably my best audience," he continued. "When I think about the sacrifices (Soldiers) are making over here, and then they come up and thank me — I say thank you... I know it sounds cheesy, but it's true."

Quinn said it surprised him during his first trip here to see "how many of the troops are such nice, good people."

"From the stories the American media gives us, it was amazing for me to come over here and not see them trying to (mess) people up," he said. "They try to put such a

bad light on what's going on over here, but after the elections (went so well)... even the media, as much as they wanted to make it a bad thing, they couldn't."

There were certainly no bad tidings to report during the show, which ran close to two hours, nor afterward during a "meet-and-greet" in Victory gym, as Soldiers had the opportunity to get pictures signed and chat with Quinn, Byrne and Kelly.

"They were hilarious," said Pfc. David Salas, an Altus, Okla., native, 35th Signal Brigade, 18th Airborne Corps. "I give props to anyone who wants to come all the way out to Iraq, to the middle of nowhere, to give a show for the troops."

Unlike Quinn, this was Byrne and Kelly's first time in the country, and both said the event had an impact on them.

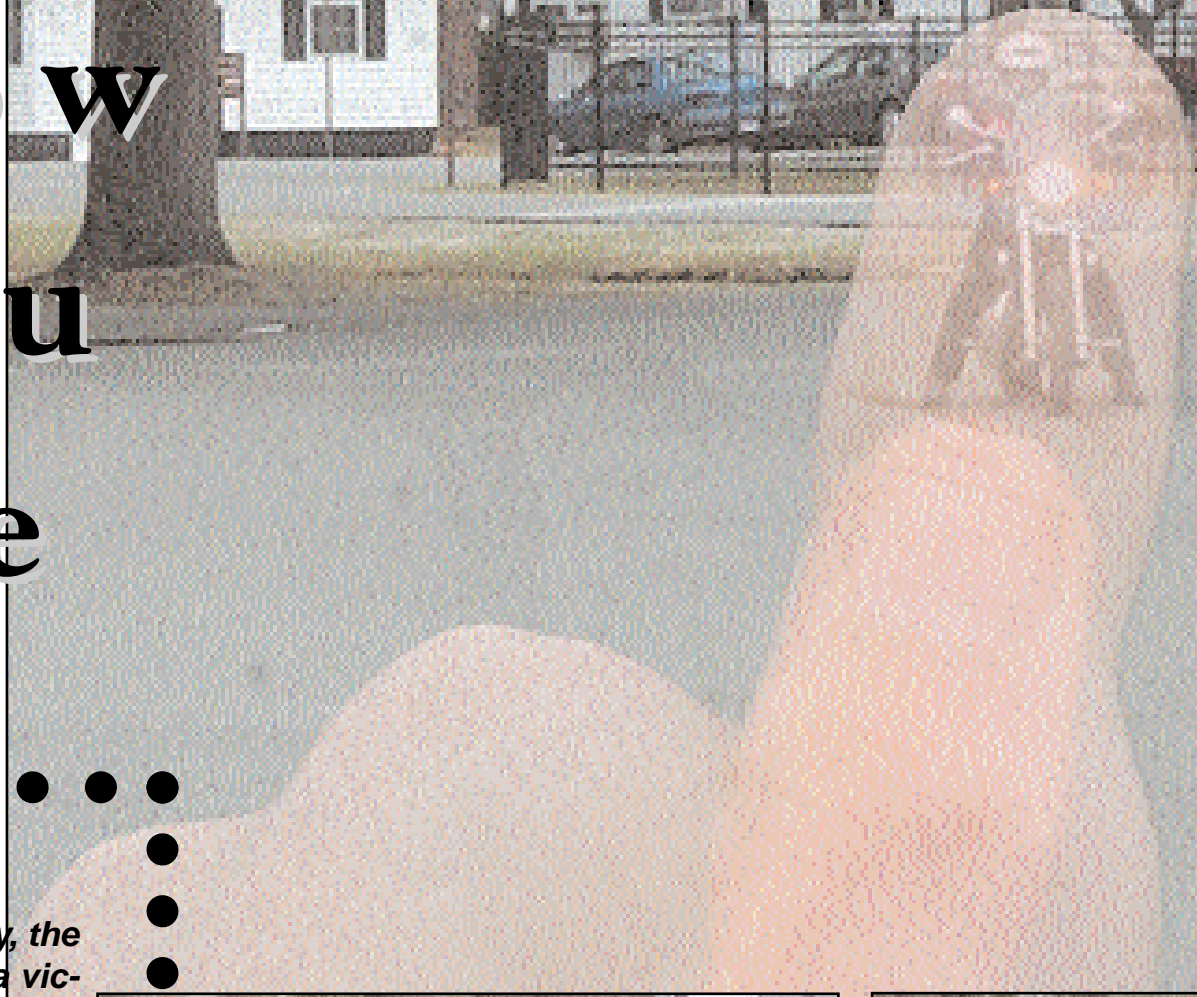
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Safety — Accidents keep rising

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"They need to recognize the fact that there are a number of obstructions that block them from the regular driver's vision: trees and shrubbery, telephone poles, traffic obstructions," he added.



**Photos and story by James Strine
Frontline Staff**

Recently a Soldier died when the humvee he was riding in flipped over outside Gate 3.

Although several factors go into a tragedy such as this, the one factor we control everyday is safety.

Unfortunately, accidents like this are not uncommon. Even more common are personally owned vehicle accidents.

According to Army Safety Center research, privately owned vehicle crashes are the Army's number one killer of Soldiers. More specifically, "Class A" accidents, an accident that results in death or significant personal or property damage, are on the rise.

"POVs kill more Soldiers than anything else we do," said Installation Safety Office Director Jim McCullough.

In 2001, the Safety Center reported 173 Class A accidents and most recently, in 2003, there were

214. McCullough posed several factors that go into the numbers; but the old cliché: an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, rings true.

"Most of the time, operator error is the primary cause of accidents," McCullough said.

He added, "I'm absolutely convinced that not speeding, not drinking and not driving when fatigued can eliminate or dramatically reduce the number of accidents."

He also said that seatbelts would always increase the victim's survivability of any accident.

Another point of contention is air bags. Most drivers think an air bag is all they need, but McCullough said air bags need seatbelts in order to work properly.

Everyone remembers parents' common advice, "It's not you I'm worried about; it's the other driver." An adage we all have heard from time to time, it doesn't necessarily ring as true as dear old mom would like to believe.

"We all think we're better drivers than we actually are," McCullough said.

For example, McCullough proposes that drivers under-assess the amount of distraction they experience in a trip across town. The usual suspects: CDs, cell phones, **See Safety — Page 2B**

Hinesville Area Arts Council presents 'Cotton Patch Gospel'

By Marc McCormick
Managing Editor

The Hinesville Area Arts Council, in conjunction with Fort Stewart MWR, hosted the "Cotton Patch Gospel" show in Club Stewart Saturday night.

The audience was treated to a "Georgia" version of the Gospel as it relates to the life of Christ.

The ensemble is part of the Springer Theatre on Tour, the state theatre of Georgia.

With music by Harry Chapin and the book by Tom Key and Russell Treyz, the "Cotton Patch Gospel" is a version of the Gospel by the apostle Matthew.

"Matthew," played on-stage by Scott Moreau, recreates the Biblical narrative as it could have happened at locations

throughout the state of Georgia.

The audience, for two hours, was treated to bluegrass music from Marcus Stadler, banjo; Rusty Bridgers, mandolin; Travis Stinson, guitar and Kenny Lewis, on bass.

Alan Miller, chairman of the arts council, summed up the council's reason for staging the presentation in Hinesville - "Lose the miles, not the quality, enjoy the arts at home."

Cotton Patch Gospel is the 6th production of the year by the council in which the intent is to bring quality family entertainment to our area and also to work with surrounding communities such as Savannah to develop ideas for future presentations.

The council also has support from the Hinesville City Council

who provides assistance in several areas.

"Shows such as these are part of the redevelopment plan for Hinesville in terms of quality of life issues," Miller said. "Things like this (the Cotton Patch Gospel) come in very high for strengthening the community and keeping dollars here, and, providing the residents a reason to stay and live in our community."

Jim Collins, a member of the arts council, pointed out that since the council was reformed it has embarked on a program to expand the scope of offerings. "To date, the Cotton Patch Gospel" is the biggest production of the season," he said.

As for the council itself, **Patch — See Page 2B**



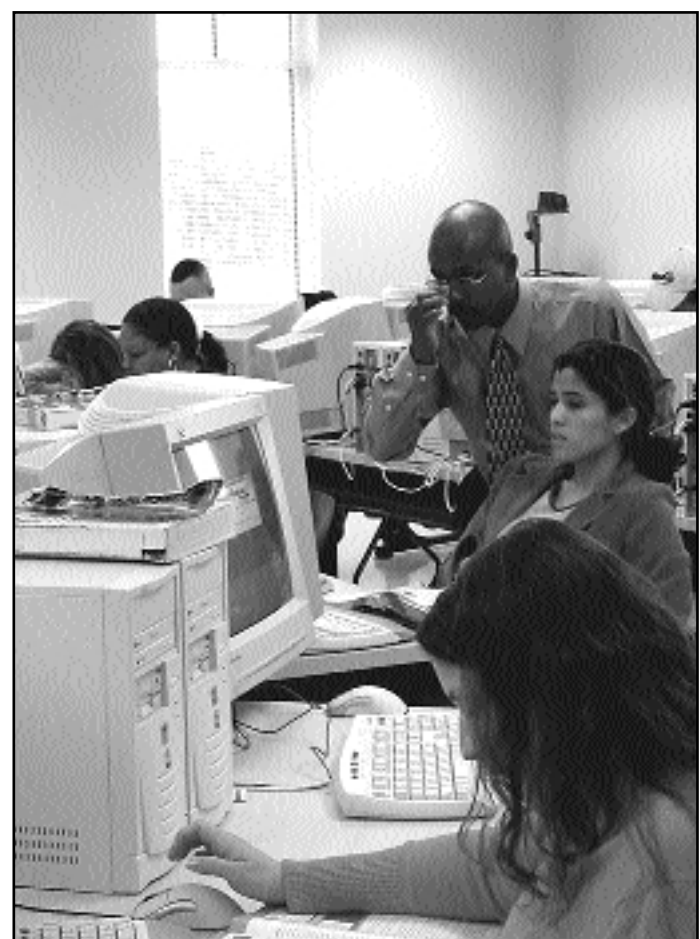
Marc McCormick

Scott Moreau entertains with a version of the Gospel stories about the life of Jesus.

Congratulations ...

Brittin Elementary 2nd Quarter Honor Roll Students

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| 1st Grade | Jones, K-Ci | DeStazio, Paige | Adams, Justin | Tyzhanay | |
| A Honor Roll | Kane, Hunter | Diaz, Faith | Adkins, Kenneth | Badillo, Darion | 5th Grade |
| Bleigh-Webb, Kayla | Lessane, Jonathan | Edwards,Robert | Carson, Dolton | Benenali, Brandy | A/B Honor Roll |
| Boswell, Baleigh | Lopez, Eduardo | Gardner, Krystal | Crouch, Angel | Billue, Bryant | Carrette, Janet |
| Cofer, Ashleigh | Morales, Alex | Green, Adria | Dawson, Matthew | Bocchi, Tyler | Duncan, |
| Cummings, Devin | Oree, Jayson | Hendrickson, | Gardner, Zackary | Broadwater, | Kristopher |
| Drexel, Alexis | Peden, Nautica | Chelsee | Guerra, MaryJane | Taylor | Guico, Brandon |
| Garner, Wayne | Prater, Logan | Hightower, | January, Derrick | Carter, Sharon | Hendricks, Kala |
| Hill, Samuel | Ramirez, Veronica | Zachary | Kelly, Joseph | Cruz, Elaina | Kelly, Dominique |
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| Holliday, Asia | Shirley, Isabel | Chrystopher | Phelps, Areana | Jontayvious | Newton, Vanessa |
| Keefer, Emily | Smith, Darius | Jones, Marvin | Ramirez, Nancy | Fucci, Elizabeth | Palomo, Jonah |
| Kifferly, Jessica | Smith, Larenz | Knee, Michelle | Simmons, | Gilley, Anatoly | Roxburgh, Nicole |
| Ladd, Peyton | Steen, Madison | Lee, Dametryiona | Kiersten | Gilley, Vitaly | Wiggins, |
| Meadows, Joshua | Taylor, Wayne | Locascio, Desiree | Stephen,David | Hagan, Kayla | Dominique |
| Mullenix, Alyssa | Walsh, Destyne | Michel, Brandi | Trevino, Bianca | Hill, Chris | Williams, Hunter |
| Stephen, Jalisa | | Myers, Tami | Whigham, | Honeycutt, Ricky | |
| Tyler, Darious | 2nd Grade | Naghdi, Brooke | Domonique | Hunt, Rolando | 6th Grade |
| Waddell, Madison | A Honor Roll | Neal, Reginald | Wiggins, India | Jordan, Xavier | A Honor Roll |
| Ward, Carlino | Alvarez, Andrea | Neely, Shanty | Woods, Curtez | Klein, Kathleen | Swinson, |
| | Bateman, Nicholas | Peguero, | Young, Blair | Knee, Melissa | Tempestt |
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| A/B Honor Roll | Lewis, Terrance | Purnell, Chelsea | A Honor Roll | Darnard | A/B Honor Roll |
| Ah Nee, Royce | Mesa, Austin | Seymour, Nadja | Akao, Leahi | Rodriguez, | Browning, Bianca |
| Anderson, | Moser, Ilana | Sturman, Haven | Berry, Nikolaus | Gabriela | Craig, Nicholas |
| Tamajna | Smith, Chelsea | Young, Brooke | Holland, Briiana | Sandoval, Joel | Dene, Katherine |
| Carrette, Leana | Wardlow, Haylie | | Ingram, Tiana | Staplins, Robert | Fraiser, Nichelle |
| Chapman, Katie | | 3rd Grade | Johnson, Nicole | Allan | Grady, Antegra |
| Conerly, Penny | 2nd Grade | A Honor Roll | McNeill, Perry | Thrasher, Xavier | Guilfo, Brittney |
| Craig, Matthew | A/B Honor Roll | Craig, Joseph | Ramirez, Jennifer | Williams, Kelsie | Kurlovech, Justin |
| Dilley, Jacob | Adams, Matthew | Iloreta, Janae | Williams, Terry | | Larrazolo, Cynthia |
| Duncan, Marcus | Asher, Kayla | Sharp, Kaitlyn | | 5th Grade | Monroe, Michael |
| Howell, Rahsaan | Berry, Xakari | Strahs, Shannon | | A Honor Roll | |
| Hudson, Dylan | Bolsinger, Jacob | | 4th Grade | Crawley, Kristin | |
| Hunt, Brandon | Byczkoski, | 3rd A/B Honor | A/B Honor Roll | Diggs, Brittney | |
| Johnson, Rochelle | Evangelyn | Roll | Anderson, Tiara | Terrell, Tanisha | |
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Courtesy Photo

Technology leads the way

Mr. Michael Jordan teaches the basics of Microsoft Access including database structure and query development at the Army Education Center. Family members and civilians alike are taking advantage of the extra spaces available in the Army Education Center's Leadership Skill Enhancement Program. Central Texas College offers a variety of FREE college courses which are always open to Family Members and

Civilians on a space available basis. The schedule format is usually one to three weeks, morning or afternoon and covers many topics including MS Word, Excel, Access and PowerPoint, Effective Writing and Personal Finance. Each course is worth college credit. Please visit your Army Education Counselor or call 767-8331 or at Hunter, call 352-6130 for more information.

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"It was probably the most humbling experience I've ever had," Byrne said. "We were at Camp Korea, and we were five hours late because of flights, but these guys waited all that time to see us, and they were one of the best crowds I've had... it's such a huge contradiction for you guys to thank us."

Kelly said the performances he gave here over the weekend "changed my life."

"I've done a million shows," he said, "but doing it for you guys... when you say 'Thank you,' you really mean it."

"We appreciate you more than you could ever appreciate us," he added.

The comedians' topics ranged from politics to partying, and nothing was sacred, but according to many Soldiers, the evening's pleasure was all theirs.

"It was a really great show; I really enjoyed it," said Sgt. 1st Class Luis Rosado, 166th Aerial Support Group. "It shows that they really care about servicemembers."

Capt. Shane Stadtmiller, Task Force 134, echoed Rosado's sentiments.

"Any time a celebrity is willing to just make the plane trip, it shows that they don't



Sgt. Andrew Miller

Colin Quinn shakes hands with Spc. Samuel Stalions while Quinn and colleagues Steve Byrne and Robert Kelly take time to talk with troops.

just say they support the troops, but that they actually do support the troops," he said.

Quinn said the biggest challenge he's had is having to deal with cynical people back in the States.

"It's almost shameful to be patriotic in the U.S. these days," he said. "I feel like the amount of sacrifice the Soldiers are making is so amazing..."

"I hope they remember they should be proud, and stay proud when they come home."

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make up, food and cigarettes. These detractors make up a deadly cocktail of inattention to the job at hand.

"Let's concentrate on the driving task," he advised.

Another area that Soldiers statistically fare poorly in is motorcycle safety awareness. McCullough said the most important thing that affects the relationship between motorcyclists and motorists is visibility. If a person puts his or her thumb up in front of a motorcycle from as little as 50 feet away, the cycle escapes field of view. Telephone poles, curves and dips in the roads, and construction also pose problems to motorcyclists.

"Frequently, the motorcyclist is a victim because they're not as visible as they need to be," McCullough said. "Even though we require them to drive with a reflective vest, gloves, over-the-ankle shoes and a DOT-approved helmet."

"They need to recognize the fact that there are a number of obstructions that block them from the regular driver's vision: trees and shrubbery, telephone poles, traffic obstructions," he added.

Not all accidents can be deemed complete operator errors. Roadways themselves can be major contributing factors as well. Highways 119 and 144 are the most "problematic" according to McCullough.

Highway 144 is particularly

dangerous because of several features. For one, at night there is very little light and during the day, the rows of trees on either side create a tunnel vision effect. Additionally, the sun is in the eyes of motorists at both sunrise and sunset as the highway itself stretches east to west.

As if that's not enough, there are convoy operations to boot.

However, motorists still speed so it is important to remember that roadway speed limits are posted for optimum conditions.

"That is a clear, unwindy, sunny day," McCullough said.

Non-Class A accidents are a cause for concern as well.

The Post Exchange parking lot remains a headache for many motorists who have experienced minor fender benders. Other areas include any place that is congested and confined.

"Most of the time that's just because of basic inattention," McCullough said of the fender benders.

Whether accidents are caused by inattention or roadway hazards, the centerpiece of the equation is the operator. The Safety Office urges that — while traffic is a little less congested because the division is deployed — drivers need to make good habits now that will carry over to when the traffic increases at least six to ten fold when the division returns. Or, next time you're in the PX parking lot, just imagine six times the number of vehicles — you may find that thought alone to be quite sobering.

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Collins explained that it is a self-sustaining entity and all the money raised from the show goes back into the productions. Basically, the council works on a break-even basis.

In the future, according to Collins, the council will start a membership drive to help support the council's activities. Right now, they are looking for funding.

MWR's Beverly Childs was on the committee that put the production together. Through her, the programs for the show were designed, the facility coordinated and the production's requirements were available.

The ROTC from Liberty High School and Bradwell Institute were on hand to greet the arriving audience members as they arrived.

The crowd truly enjoyed the production. It was a mix of down home humor, music and a serious message blended together in a truly innovative fashion. Whether it was silly songs or serious songs, the multi-talented cast kept the audience enthralled through the entire performance. As they say, it was quiet enough you could hear — well, no cell phones. The audience was hooked from the opening to the close.

The next production presented by the Hinesville Area Arts Council will be "I Cantori" Mar. 20 at the First United Methodist Church.

The chamber choir presentation by the choral ensemble under the direction of Dr. Robert L. Harris will present an afternoon dedicated to chamber choir literature.

The event begins at 3 p.m. The Hinesville First United Methodist Church is located on Main Street between memorial and Washington.



Marc McCormick

Scott Moreau, "Matthew" in the production of "Cotton Patch Gospel," kept the audience enthralled with his portrayal.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Chaplain (Lt. Col). George Spencer

Hope

"In short, there are three things that last: faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love."
-1 Corinthians 13:13

I have read that piece of scripture a thousand times. And each time I read it I concentrated on "love" — as did Paul. But Paul reminded the church at Corinth that there are three things that last — faith, hope and love. He reminded us that faith and hope are important to our daily lives as Christians. Faith, Hope and Love are all part of a three-legged stool, which support our Christian lives. Faith, hope and love keep us going.

So my question to you today is, "Do you have hope?"

Sometimes we feel hopeless — things do not go as we had planned.

I have never felt more hopeless than I did the on the morning of September 11th when I watched that second Jet plow into one of the Twin Trade Towers.

I did my Chaplain Basic Course in 1976 at Fort Hamilton, New York. I lived in barracks at Fort Monmouth, New York on the other side of the Verrazano-Narrows. On any given day I could look across the bay and see the Twin Trade Towers.

They were brand new — a symbol of American prosperity — a show to the rest of the world that we could accomplish almost anything. Maybe that is why they were targeted. But when I saw them crumble I felt so helpless and so hopeless.

But I also knew at that very moment there was

never a greater need for hope! If I were to go on, if we as a Nation were to go on we needed hope.

In the past few years — since 9/11 — I have been thinking a lot about Hope. I have come to the conclusion that —no matter what — we cannot give up.

You and I — as individuals — must keep going. We must have hope. The saddest thing in the world is to loose hope - to give up. But we can't do that.

Some time ago I was at a Chief of Chaplains Conference. We had a Reserve Chaplain come and talk to us. In civilian life he is the Senior Police Chaplain in Oklahoma City. (His wife was also a chaplain.) He was at the Federal Building just minutes after it was bombed.

He told us many more stories — some sad — some filled with joy — some heroic. But the story that stuck with me was about the search dogs. These dogs are trained to sniff out survivors from the rubble. But after the first day there were no survivors. The dogs became despondent. (They literally lost hope!) So to keep them going they covered live volunteers in the rubble so that the dogs could find someone who was alive — so that they could regain hope and

continue their job.

You and I need to keep our hope alive too! We need to find something to live for! We need to dig down into the rubble of our lives and find something worth living for.

And the truth is we do have something to live for! We have Christ to live for because he died for us! Paul reminds us that even though we were dead in our sins, because of the grace of Christ we were made alive. - and that's certainly something to live for.

Keep that hope alive as we approach the Easter Season.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

ROSS CURRY JR.



Ross Curry Jr., a native of Greenville, Miss., is a Red Cross volunteer at Winn Army Community Hospital.

He volunteers in the Radiology Clinic.

Curry said he volunteers "to gain experience and help the community."

In his free time, he enjoys sports and travel.

Curry and his wife Michelle have three children, 14-year-old Norris, 10-year-old Ross and 6-year-old Deja.

If you would like more information about becoming an American Red Cross volunteer at Winn, call Brigitte Roberts at 370-6903 or send an email to Brigitte.Roberts@se.amedd.army.mil.

Army launches new community program

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The Army has launched a new Web site to help strengthen partnerships between the Army and the communities around installations and ranges.

The Army Public Involvement Toolbox seeks to help meet the goals of the new Army Strategy for the Environment announced in October 2004, officials said.

The Web site was developed by a consortium of Army organizations to provide tools, methods, examples, and information related to public involvement.

The strategy highlights the necessity of involving the public if the Army is to meet its goals and achieve sustainability in the future, officials said.

They said the site, like the strategy, places emphasis on the full range of activities needed to engage stakeholders with the "4Cs" of communication, coordination, consultation, and collaboration.

Viewers can access the Web site at www.asaie.army.mil/pitoolbox.

"As the Army Strategy for the Environment states, 'the sustainable futures of our installations and our communities are inextricably connected,'" said Geoffrey Prosch, acting assistant secretary of the Army for Installations and Environment.

"This new strategy mandates that the Army change how it communicates, moving beyond simply informing others of our activities, to actively collaborating with the public to forge mutually beneficial solutions regarding the limited resources we all share."

The primary purpose of the Web site is to provide Soldiers, Army civilian staff, and Army contractors engaged in public involvement with functional, proven techniques and information, according to the Army Environmental Policy Institute.

The site is publicly accessible to reinforce the Army's commitment to public involvement, as well as to share information across other government agencies engaged in these type of activities, institute officials said.

"This is an initiative that intends to foster collaboration, and it has truly been a collaborative effort from the start," said Karen Baker, senior fellow for strategic policy at the Army Environmental Policy Institute.

Baker pulled together the Army Public Involvement Committee, a team of Army organizations engaged in public involvement.

The committee sought to build upon recommendations from an Army senior leadership panel which had identified the need for more "how to" resources in engaging the public on environmental issues.

As the committee assembled material and

developed content for the Web site, it consulted with other federal agencies, such as the Environmental Protection Agency, state agencies, and several non-governmental organizations.

"The most exciting thing about this project was the enthusiastic feedback from all of the partner organizations," said Baker. "Every time we met, more people came to the table, and every time we showed the test site to a group, we were provided with more resources and ideas."

"From the beginning, we made a conscious effort to avoid reinventing the wheel," Baker said, noting that a great deal of excellent information on best practices developed by the Army, and by other organizations already existed.

The challenge was making it easier for Army personnel to find information so they can develop plans and programs that meet their local needs and issues.

The project team selected content for the Web site with an emphasis on providing practical, hands-on information and organizing the information into functional 'buttons' for easy, quick linking to the information.

Viewers can quickly access guides on specific public involvement activities, locate training opportunities, find the latest regulations and policy statements on public involvement and link to other resources created by other agencies working on similar projects.

The new site is designed for frequent updates, Baker said, with viewers providing suggestions for future Web postings through an e-mail feedback feature.

"The project team combined the excellent work already done by many Army organizations to create a "one-stop shop" for all army practitioners, that extends far beyond the environmental arena. The techniques and material can be applied to any issue in which the Army would need to actively engage with the public," said Col. Richard Breen, director of Community Relations & Outreach for Army Public Affairs.

Launching the Army Public Involvement Toolbox is only the first initiative for the Army Public Involvement Committee, officials said. The group also is creating pilot public involvement training courses and making recommendations on how to incorporate public involvement practices into Army policy.

"The tool box is a great start to raising awareness and providing resources to the field, but it is only our first step in making the '4C' concept a reality," said Ray Fatz, deputy assistant secretary of the Army (Environment, Safety and Occupational Health). "We have much work to do to ensure that involving the public becomes part of how the Army does business."

(Editor's note: Information provided by the Army Environmental Policy Institute.)

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Fort Stewart

| Catholic | Location | Time |
|------------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Sunday Mass | Heritage | 9 a.m. |
| Saturday Mass | Heritage | 5 p.m. |
| Weekday Mass | Victory | 11:45 a.m. |
| Protestant | | |
| Sunday Protestant Worship | Marne | 11 a.m. |
| Sunday Gospel Service | Victory | 11 a.m. |
| Sunday Family Friendly | Vale | 11 a.m. |
| Tuesday Healing Service | WACH | 11:30 a.m. |
| Sunday School | Diamond Elementary | 9:30 a.m. |
| Kids' Church(K to 6th grade) | Across from Dia. Elem. | 11:00 a.m. |

American Samoan

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| Sunday Worship | Vale | 1 p.m. |
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Muslim

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| Friday Jum'ah | Building 610 | 12:30 p.m. |
| Masjid (Daily) | Building 610 | 9 a.m. |

Lutheran

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| Sunday Worship | Marne | 9 a.m. |
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Hunter Army Airfield

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| Protestant | | |
| Protestant Sunday School | Religious Education Center | 9:30 a.m. |
| Sunday Service | Chapel | 11 a.m. |
| Catholic | | |
| Sunday Mass | Chapel | 9:30 a.m. |
| CCD | Religious Education Center | 11 a.m. |

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| C | COMPLIANCE | |
| K | KEEP IMPROVING | |
| | Sustainable Fort Stewart/HAAF | |



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MARNE TV

February 2005 Schedule

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| 5 a.m. | Army Newswatch |
| 5:30 a.m. | MARNE REPORT |
| 6:30 a.m. | Air Force News |
| 7 a.m. | Navy News |
| 7:30 a.m. | Army Newswatch |
| 8 a.m. | MARNE REPORT |
| 9 a.m. | Air Force News |
| 9:30 a.m. | Navy News |
| 11:30 a.m. | Army Newswatch |
| Noon | MARNE REPORT |
| 1 p.m. | Air Force News |
| 4:30 p.m. | Navy News |
| 5 p.m. | MARNE REPORT |
| 6 p.m. | Army Newswatch |
| 6:30 p.m. | Air Force News |
| 7 p.m. | Navy News |
| 10 p.m. | MARNE REPORT |
| 11 p.m. | Army Newswatch |
| Midnight | MARNE REPORT |



Pet of the Week

This one-year-old calico, is very friendly and litterbox-trained. She is ready to adopt today. She is playful and would make a good addition to any family.
If you are interested in adopting a pet like this for your home, call the Fort Stewart Veterinary Clinic at 767-2842.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Provided by Winn Army Community Hospital

Feb. 17

• Kaliey Taylor Juliette Griffin, a girl, 7 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Mr. Nathan Andrew Griffin and Krista Rhae Braziel (Dependent daughter of SFC Steven E. Braziel).

Mar. 2

• Alyvia Keirstian Spriggs, a girl, 7 pounds, 2 ounces, born to SPC Brooks A. Spriggs and Michelle L. Spriggs.

Mar. 3

• Evan Luke Southwick, a girl, 10 pounds, born to SPC Luke W. Southwick

and Crystal L. Southwick.

Mar. 4

* Camren Nicole Nicholson, a girl, 8 pounds, 3 ounces, born to SSG Benjamin Nicholson and Juanita Nicholson.

Mar. 5

• Ja'Nyia Symone Middleton, a girl, 6 pounds, 11 ounces, born to Mr. Jamel Middleton and PFC Stephanie Middleton.
• Ava Elisa Duran, a girl, 6 pounds, 9 ounces, born to SGT John Gregory Duran

and Christina Ann Duran.

Mar. 6

• Tristan Daniel Burgess, a boy, 8 pounds, 6 ounces, born to SGT Andrew Jarrod Burgess and Leah Charley Burgess.
• Jason Jared Jimenez, a boy, 7 pounds, born to SSG Jose A. Jimenez and Janice Jimenez.
• Meakah Juliana Nededog, a girl, 6 pounds, 2 ounces, born to PFC James M. Nededog and Migdaliz Nededog.



WOODRUFF THEATER

MARCH 17 TO MARCH 23



Monday through Thursday admission is \$1.75 for adults, \$1.25 for children.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday admission is \$3.50 for adults, \$1.75 for children.

Phantom of the Opera

Gerard Butler, Emmy Rossum

Tonight — 7 p.m.

A disfigured musical genius haunts the catacombs beneath the Paris Opera, waging a reign of terror over its occupants. When he falls fatally in love with the lovely Christine, the Phantom devotes himself to creating a new star for the Opera, exerting a strange sense of control over the young soprano as he nurtures her extraordinary talents. He's smitten and wants Christine for his own, but Christine meets up with her childhood acquaintance Raoul and the two fall in love. Feeling betrayed, the Phantom decides to kidnap her and imprison her with him in his lair. Raoul is now the only one to stop him. PG-13, 143 minutes.

Are We There Yet?

Ice Cube, Aleisha Allen

Friday, Saturday, Sunday — 7 p.m.

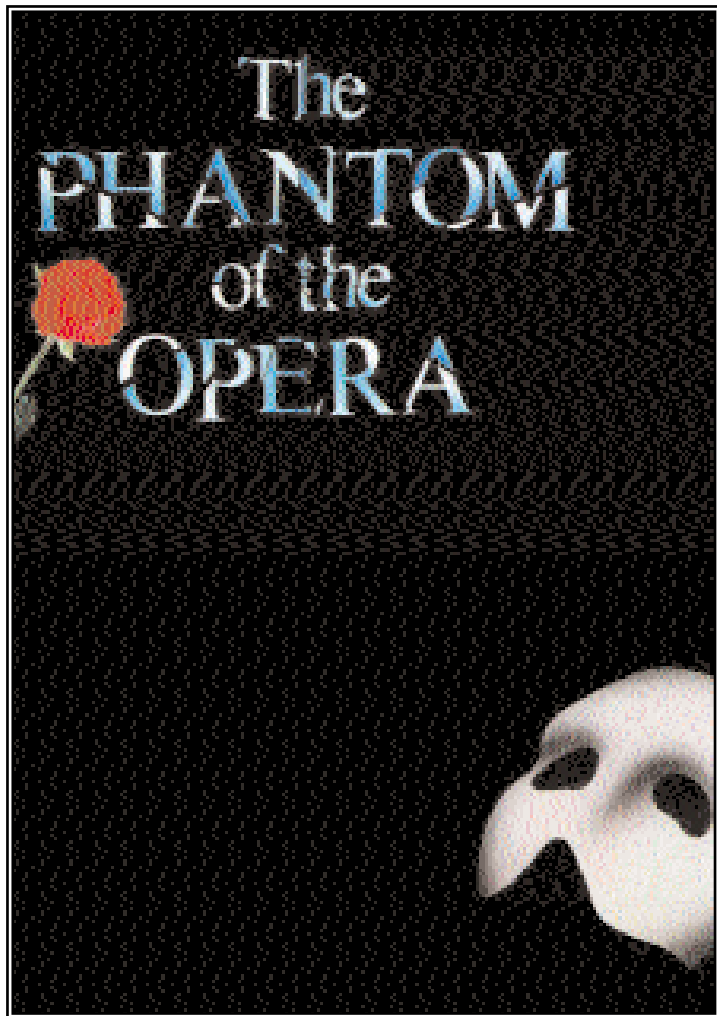
Nick (Ice Cube), a smooth operator, is trying to land a date with Suzanne (Nia Long). Problem is Suzanne, a divorcee, is stuck working in Vancouver and miserable because she misses her kids. Seizing the opportunity, Nick gallantly offers to make her wish come true — and his own in the process. PG-13, 95 minutes.

Pooh's Heffalump Movie

Animated

Saturday, Sunday — 2 p.m.

A.A. Milne's famous stuffed bear and his pals learn something about acceptance and understanding when a new animal comes to the Hundred Acre Woods in this animated comedy. When Winnie the Pooh (voice of Jim Cummings) hears a strange noise in the woods, he and his friends are convinced that the dreaded Heffalump has come to do them harm. G, 68 minutes.



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A Soldier's Prayer

By Laura A. Neff
Midway, Georgia

While bombs fly through
the air,
Over our heads day and
night.
Whisper for us a simple
prayer,
So hopes may take flight.

Pray to your God up
above,
As our danger nears.
Cover us in His love,
Amidst the waiting years.

Prayers we hope to hear,
In our hearts and souls.
As day to day turns to
year,
Taking its daily tolls.

Please give us the might,
Deep within our heart.
The willingness to fight,
For our nation to start.

A prayer for those lost,
Without a cause seen.
A devastating cose,
It has truly been.

Pray for us soldiers,
In the fields of war.
And always the tears,
We shed from afar.

Pray for our children,
Waiting so far away.
So we might see again,
And have something to
say.

So hear this prayer,
For a soldier that may.
Have a burden to bear,
In a place far away.



Courtesy photo

George and Angela Handley, from Calhoun, Georgia, were on hand to welcome back their daughter Dawn Handley, an administrator with the five man 434th Chemical Detachment.

434th Chemical Det. comes home

Stories and Photos by
Marc McCormick
Managing Editor

The 434th Chemical Detachment from Dobbins Air Force Base, Marietta, Georgia returned from a year long deployment in Baghdad, Iraq.

George and Angela Handley, from Calhoun, Georgia, were on hand to welcome back their daughter Dawn Handley, an administrator with the five man 434th Detachment.

When asked how she felt, Handley replied, "I am very excited to be home; its been a long year.

But, there is nothing better than seeing your mom and your dad at Fort Stewart when you get back."

Asked what her mission was Handley answered, "We were attached to the 1st Cav headquarters as part of the Chemical Detachment. We performed a "HIPCC" mission and we also trained Iraqi National Guardsmen in chemical measures. We also did a lot of the joint visitors bureau as well."

Also returning with the 434th Chemical Detachment was Staff Sgt. Julius Scott. His wife Carolyn and daughter Ariel were there to greet him following the welcoming ceremony. When

asked what he had learned from his year long experience, Scott said, "Dealing with the (Iraqi) people and helping. It's good to be in America. There (Iraq), it's interesting to see how people live and it's a crying shame to see the way some people live. I wish they could do better but I'm glad to be back in America. Lots of people take it (America) for granted for what they've got here. They need to go and try other countries like that (Iraq) to see how they live.

Scott also reflected on Baghdad and the Iraqis, "Mostly we worked with the Iraqi national Guard and Iraqi personnel training them up so they can take back their country and run it."



Marc McCormick

Col. John M. Kidd, garrison commander, Fort Stewart, spoke to the Soldiers of the 336th Postal Detachment at Caro Gym following their return from a year long deployment to Iraq. In his remarks, Col. Kidd praised the Soldiers for their professionalism telling them their country was proud of their service.

Mail carriers mail selves home

The 336th Army National Guard Postal detachment from Sheffield, Ala. returned to the United States Saturday from As-Sayliyah, Iraq.

Deploying from America, the detachment

took all of the postal equipment necessary to provide first class service for over 2,500 Soldiers and civilians.

Lead by 1st Lt. Shawnetta Jackson and Platoon Sergeant Kenneth Durley, the 17-

Soldier detachment served in a forward deployed operation where they processed over 100,000 pounds of postal materials for deployed Soldiers.

Soldiers video tape bedtime stories for children

Special to the Frontline

Many military parents want to make sure they are still an important part of their children's lives even while they're away.

So many of them are taking part in a unique program called Read to Your Kids.

If you are interested in taking part in the Read to Your Kids program, you can make an appointment with the library by calling 353-2403.

Parents are visiting the Hunter Army Airfield branch library to video tape bedtime stories for their children to watch while they are away.

So even if they won't be home every night to read to them and tuck them in, they will be there at a flick of a switch.

Dr. Seuss' "One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish" is one of Spec. Tawone White's favorite children's books. And he hopes it will become

a favorite for his two daughters, four-year-old Kayla and nine-month-old Legacy, during his 12- to 18-month deployment.

"I'm happy right now," he told us. "I won't have too many smiles later on so now's a good time."

To six-year-old Skylar Hurtado's delight, her dad, Spec. Edward Hurtado, also recorded a story for her, her two-year-old brother Eddie and even Mom. "While You

Were Away," by Eileen Spinelli.

The story "explains me deploying and lets them know I'll return," he said.

"He's still with us no matter what," said wife Priscilla. "He'll still be a part of our lives."

As for the dads, they had a very important message for their little soldiers while they're away.

As Spec. White recorded, "Daddy will be back as soon

as possible to read to you every night.

He doesn't want to miss a day, but Daddy's on a mission."

The best part of this program is that it's not just for parents to read to their kids.

Children can also read stories to their deployed parents and send them off.

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